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c.1842-1860

1142- 1100 Battery Ave. (West side)

Baltimore, Md.

Private access

The west side of the 1100 block of Battery Ave. is improved with two distinct groups of houses, all of which, however, were built before the Civil War. At 1134-1142 Battery Ave. and at 1126-1132 Battery Ave. there are groups of three story, two bay wide, gable-roofed brick houses built in the late 1850's. At 1110-1116 and 1118-1124 Battery Ave. there are two groups of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses built by William Webb, a local house carpenter, in 1850. Of this group, 1112 Battery Ave. has since been enlarged to a full three stories in height but still retains its original gable roof. 1106-1108 Battery Ave. is a pair of three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roof, but no existing roof cornice, built about 1855 with an original gable roof. Finally, at 1100-1104 Battery Ave. there is a group of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses, built in the early 1840's.

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1126-1132 Battery Ave.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**☐ EXCELLENT☒ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☒ UNALTERED (1130)☒ ALTERED (rest)**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This row of three story, two bay brick houses with gable roofs was built in the 1850's and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Battery Ave. All of the houses had been covered with formstone but 1130 Battery Ave. has recently had its formstone removed.

The houses are three stories in height. 1126 Battery is 12' wide, 1128 is 11'1/2' wide, and 1130 and 1132 are 11 1/2' wide. 1126 occupies a lot 46' deep; the rest occupy lots 82' deep. The houses are constructed in running bond, but all except for 1130 Battery are covered with formstone. The end houses in the group--1126 and 1132 Battery-- both have three story high, one bay wide and deep stair hall extensions which connect the main house to a rear addition. At 1126 Battery there is a one story high, two bay deep frame addition; at 1132 Battery there is a two story high, three bay deep addition, followed by a two story high, one bay deep new frame addition. 1128 Battery has a second story, one bay deep frame bathroom addition projecting out over the rear yard, and a later one story high, one bay deep masonry addition. 1130 Battery has a one story high, two bay deep addition. The pair of houses (1126-1128, Battery 32) shares a double rectangular chimney located along the partition wall between the houses on the rear roof gable.\* 1132 Battery also has a rear end chimney located at the west end of the rear addition. The low-pitched gable roofs have a continuous, two-tier brick cornice. \*1130 and 1132 Battery have double chimneys located on the north side of the rear roof gable.

Although the original treatment of the door and window lintels and sills has been hidden by the formstone covering at 1126, 1128, and 1132 Battery Ave., the original lintels and sills have recently been exposed at 1130 Battery. The first and second story openings have flat wood lintels with a curved, recessed area directly above the window. The third floor windows have plain flat wood lintels. All of the sills are brick header sills. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. Each doorway has a single light transom. 1126, 1128, and 1132 Battery have modern flush doors; 1130 Battery has a Mission-style oak door. The houses sit on low basements, the entrances being reached by two brick steps each, except at 1130 where they are stone. Each house has a rectangular basement opening located beneath the first floor window.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1855-58

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

John B. Hax

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1134-1140 Battery Ave.

This row of houses, which is extremely similar to the houses at 1134-1140 Battery Ave., was built by John B. Hax, a contractor and paver whose offices were on Caroline St.<sup>1</sup> The houses were not sold to individual owners until the late 1860's. The first owner-occupant of 1126 Battery Ave. was a Charles Herold, a cooper, who lived here in the 1870's and 1880's. The first owner of 1128 Battery Ave. was a Joshua Underhill, an oyster seller and packer, who lived at this location during the same period; the first owner of 1130 Battery Ave. was a Matthew Lacher, a shoemaker; and the first owner of 1132 Battery Ave. was a John Schmidt, a policeman.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Baltimore City Land Records, Liber ED 75, Folio 173; Baltimore City Directory, 1855-56

<sup>2</sup> Ibid., Liber GR 385, Folio 324; GR 549/74; GR 563/305; GR 528/34; B.C.D., 1870-1873

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 12' 46' (1126); 11' x 82' (1128); 11'6" x 82' (1130-1132)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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DATE

5/79

STREET &amp; NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

Maryland 21204

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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AVE.

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1126-1132 Battery Avenue  
Block 0952 Lots 009-006  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.







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1126-1132 Battery Ave.

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East elevation



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1130 Battery Ave.

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